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SUBJ SOME BRITISH COMMENTS ON GENEVA CONFERENCE

1. AFTER RECEIVING GENERALIZED BRIEFING JANUARY 23 ON EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT, BRITISH AMBASSADOR HILDYARD, ACCOMPANIED BY UKUN MIDDLE EAST SPECIALIST WESTON, VOICED SKEPTICISM TO ME THAT SYRIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT COULD BE ACHIEVED WITHOUT ANOTHER TRIP TO AREA BY SECRETARY. HE THOUGHT OBSTACLES IN SYRIA-ISRAELI CASE WERE SO FORMIDABLE THAT INTENSE AND SIMULTANEOUS PRESSURES ON BOTH PARTIES WOULD BE NEEDED. HE SAID HE HAD TROUBLE VISUALIZING SYRIAN-ISRAELI MILITARY TALKS BEING HELD IN GENEVA.

2. HILDYARD SAID HE SAW SOVIET AMBASSADOR VINOGRADOV NOT LONG BEFORE MY JANUARY 21 MEETING WITH LATTER. ACCORDING TO HILDYARD, VINOGRADOV WAS GREATLY CALMED DOWN FROM HIS PREVIOUSLY TURBULENT STATE BY VERY FACT OF MY RETURN TO
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GENEVA AND IMPENDING APPOINTMENT WITH HIM. HILDYARD

EXPRESSED VIEW USSR WOULD HAVE NO REAL ROLE TO PLAY IN
MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS UNLESS OR UNTIL IT REESTABLISHED
RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL.

3. AS ILLUSTRATION OF HILDYARD'S EXPECTATION THAT GENEVA CON-
FERENCE WOULD NOW CLOSE DOWN FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES UNTIL
MARCH, HE SAID HE WAS SENDING WESTON, ON TEMPORARY DUTY
IN GENEVA SINCE OPENING OF CONFERENCE LAST MONTH, BACK TO NEW
YORK IN NEXT DAY OR TWO.BASSIN

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